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In re application of: K. TAKADA

Application No. : 09/831,901

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For : AN ORAL FORMULATION FOR GASTROINTESTINAL DRUG DELIVERY

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Response under 37 C.F.R. 1.116  
 Expedited Procedure Requested  
 Examining Group. 1615  
 Attorney Docket No. P21010

Group Art Unit: 1615

Examiner: Ghali

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Commissioner for Patents  
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Sir:  
 Transmitted herewith is an **Amendment under 37 C.F.R. 1.116** in the above-captioned application.

- ☒ Small Entity Status of this application under 37 C.F.R. 1.9 and 1.27 has been established by a previously filed statement.  
☐ A verified statement to establish small entity status under 37 C.F.R. 1.9 and 1.27 is enclosed.  
☐ A Request for Extension of Time.  
☒ No additional fee is required.

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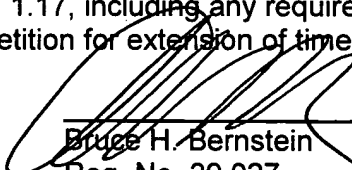
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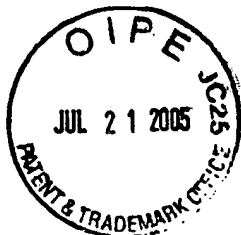
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☒ Any patent application processing fees under 37 C.F.R. 1.17, including any required extension of time fees in any concurrent or future reply requiring a petition for extension of time for its timely submission (37 C.F.R. 1.136(a)(3)).

  
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**REPLY UNDER 37 C.F.R. 1.116**

**IN RESPONSE TO FINAL OFFICE ACTION MAILED APRIL 21, 2005**

Commissioner for Patents  
U.S. Patent and Trademark Office  
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401 Dulany Street  
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Sir:

This is in response to the Final Office Action mailed April 21, 2005, which sets a three-month shortened statutory period for response until July 21, 2005.

Applicant notes that this response is being filed by the initial due date for response whereby an extension of time and the government fee associated therewith should not be necessary. However, if any extension of time is needed to maintain the pendency of the application, including any extension of time for an Examiner's Amendment, this is an express request for any required extension of time and authorization to charge any required fee to Deposit Account No. 19-0089.

Entry of the instant reply with reconsideration and allowance of the application are respectfully requested.

The claims pending in the instant application appear in the Listing of Claims included in the Amendment Under 37 C.F.R. 1.112, filed January 10, 2005.

Remarks/Arguments begin on page 3 of this paper.